

Afghanistan

STATE DEPARTMENT  
REGULAR BRIEFING  
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BRIEFER: CHARLES REDMAN

Q On the Afghan accord, Mr. Peck said in testimony yesterday that the Geneva accord in no way limits US aid to the rebels. Am I to understand that US aid to the rebels is not contingent upon the Soviets supplying the Kabul regime?

MR. REDMAN: I think what Mr Peck said is totally accurate. And on the question of what we have said about our continuing to aid them and under what circumstances and what the criteria area, Under-Secretary Armacost was here yesterday or the day before, an on-the-record briefing. He spoke at length on that subject. Secretary Shultz spoke at length at Geneva at the signing of the accord. There's been absolutely no secret about that; it's all in the record.